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Remarks:

The above amendments and these remarks are responsive to the Office action dated March 12, 2007.

Prior to entry of this Amendment, claims 24-28 and 41-50 remained pending in the present application. Claims 26-28 have been allowed. Claims 24, 25 and 41-46 have been rejected. Applicant hereby cancels claims 24, 25 and 41-50 without prejudice.

Accordingly, upon entry of this Amendment, all pending claims are believed to be in allowable form. Applicant thus respectfully requests that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowability covering the pending claims.

Regarding the Examiner's statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter, applicant agrees with the Examiner's conclusions regarding patentability, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning. In particular, applicant believes that the application is allowable because the prior art fails to teach, anticipate or render obvious the invention as claimed.

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Applicant believes that this application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner disagrees or has any questions, or if a telephone interview would in any way advance prosecution of the application, the Examiner is asked to please contact the undersigned attorney of record.

Respectfully submitted,

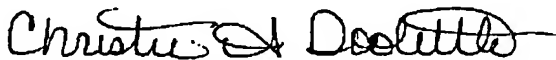
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